



Mid-Semester Information:

Graduate Student Research, Resources, and Community

Graduate Research Symposium

You won't want to miss the upcoming Graduate Student Research Symposium on **Friday, April 11th from 3:00-6:00pm** in the Student Union Theater (3-4pm) and Ballrooms (4-6pm).

Come support your fellow graduate student colleagues! Find more information about the [Graduate Student Research Symposium](#) on the VSU Graduate School website.



Are you a grad student that uses SPSS?

- ⇒ SPSS is a statistical analysis package that is commonly used in classes related to research or data. Students can request the software and registration key through our online [SPSS Request Form](#) (sign in with your MyVSU username and password).
- ⇒ Additional information regarding access to SPSS and other VSU technology resources can be found [here](#). The information on SPSS is located under the Software Availability tab.

Looking to add to your bank of academic and professional skills? Try [Infobase](#)!

Infobase provides access to a “complete training library of over 80,000 short, show-and-tell video courses on over 205 of the most common applications.” Courses on the Infobase Learning Cloud include APA 7th Edition, Research Essentials, Microsoft Office programs, Adobe, and more!

Infobase can be accessed from MyVSU by clicking on “View All” portals next to QuickLinks, and selecting Infobase from the portal options.

Attention *Doctoral Students*: Are you interested in receiving peer feedback, support, and mentorship on your dissertations throughout the semester?

If so, join us for **Dissertation Dive-ins**! They are held every other week with your peers and a faculty member that facilitates conversation and feedback between you and your doctoral colleagues. If you are interested in taking part in Dissertation Dive-ins, please email **Ms. Darli Devane**, djdevane@valdosta.edu.

Association of Graduate Students (AGS):

Benefits and reasons to become involved in AGS

To get to know more about the benefits and reasons to become involved in AGS, we asked AGS president, Georgia Wynn, about some of the benefits and reasons to join the organization.

Question: What would you consider to be the greatest benefits of AGS?

Answer: Some of the greatest benefits of AGS include connecting with faculty and other graduate students, working on career advancement skills and work-life balance, learning about opportunities available for graduate students, and having fun social and professional events.

Question: Why would you recommend someone get involved with AGS?

Answer: I would recommend someone get involved with AGS because our organization provides graduate students with a lot of helpful information. AGS general meetings are only once a month, so being an active member does not take up a lot of time. Also, as a bonus, we provide pizza at our general meeting. Our meetings and many of our events are available for in-person and online students. We host optional professional workshops and social events on campus and occasionally off campus. Overall, AGS is an organization that provides varying opportunities, and we have a lot of fun!

Question: What is your favorite part of being a member/President of AGS?

Answer: My favorite part of being AGS President is meeting other graduate students. AGS allows me to interact with friends within my major but also allows me a space to make friends with students from other majors. I encourage graduate students to check out AGS. Some of our recent events include: a game night, resume and curriculum vitae building workshop, beginner crochet class & workshop, karaoke night, abstract building & presentation preparation workshop, AGS & Odradek Crossover Event at the Annette Turner Center for the Arts, Crochet fundraiser, Bake Sale, and VSU Counseling Center stress management workshop.

AGS meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm in Odum Library, Room 1470 and via Teams.

To learn more about AGS, please see the AGS website linked [here](#) or email Georgia at gjwynn@valdosta.edu.

Upcoming Important Dates

Grad Finale	March 4-5, 2025, 10am-5pm
Grad Assistant Recruitment Day	March 6-7, 2025
Spring Break	March 17-21, 2025
Association of Grad Students (AGS) Meeting	March 27, 2025
Graduation Application Deadline	March 28, 2025
Graduate Student Research Symposium	April 11, 2025, 3-6 pm
Dissertation and Thesis Deadline	April 18, 2025
Association of Grad Students (AGS) Meeting	April 24, 2025
Spring Commencement.....	May 9, 2025 at 5 pm